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The Council met in the Council Hall, Ernakulam, at eleven of the clock with the Hon'ble the President (SIR SHANMUKHAM CHETTY, K.C.I.E.), in the Chair.

Messrs. Ismail Hajee Essa Sait, K. Ashtamurthi Nambudiripad and Shabdai S. Koder and Mrs. C. R. Iyyunni were absent.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

KATTAKAMPAL AND PERUMTHURUTHI PANCHAYAT ROADS—CONNECTING OF

26. Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether there was any proposal pending with the Panchayat Department to connect the Kattakampal Panchayat road with the Perumthuruthi Panchayat road through the premises of the Palanji market;

(*b*) if answer to (*a*) is in the affirmative, when was that proposal made; by whom; whether the local Panchayat has expressed any views in the matter;

(*c*) whether there were representations from the villagers with regard to the necessity of this connection;

(*d*) whether any estimate was prepared by the Panchayat or the Panchayat Department for the work referred to in (*a*); if so, the amount as per the estimate;

(*e*) whether the work was carried out?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):*

(*a*) Yes in 1112.

(*b*) In the Panchayat Programme for 1112 there was a provision of Rs. 300 in item 466 for the work;

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the Panchayat had recommended the work to be necessary.

(*c*) There were representations for and against this connection road.

(*d*) Yes; Rs. 300.

(*e*) No.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* May I know, Sir, why did it happen that the work was not taken up in 1112?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* Now that this matter has been brought to my notice, I will take necessary measures. This took place in 1112. It is only when this question was put to me that I came to know of it. I will rectify the mistake as early as possible.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* Thank you.

TEAK POLES—USE IN CONSTRUCTING TANKS

27. Mr. C. V. Iyyu*(Kunnamkulam):* Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether they have considered the usefulness of using teak poles of the type of the electric lamp posts used by the Trichur Municipality in the place of cocoanut tree trunks for the construction of village tanks under the Panchayats in sandy areas of the State;

(*b*) whether they have made any such tanks anywhere in the State;

(*c*) whether they will be pleased to experiment this in the improvement of Sankarankulam in Kandanisseri village in Talappilli Taluk and also in some other villages in other sandy or littoral areas in the State for which improvement has been sanctioned in the budget for the current year?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):*

(*a*) Government have considered about this. In littoral (sandy) tracts cocoanut trees are available in plenty and at the same time are very cheap. They also very well serve the purpose. Comparatively speaking cocoanut trees serve better in these areas than teak for this purpose from the point of view of cost. If teak is used, there is also the danger of its being removed.

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